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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (Previously Presented): A refrigerator provided with a chamber lamp socket attached to the inside of a chamber, and a chamber lamp attached to and supported by the chamber lamp socket, comprising:

a collar portion of said chamber lamp socket which is provided with unevenness on an inner surface thereof, brought into contact with an outer periphery of a glass tube of the chamber lamp to hold the lamp, and formed of a flexible material

wherein the unevenness of the inner surface of said lamp chamber socket has a sawtoothed shape constituted by alternately forming gentle slopes and steep slopes to set a resistance in detaching the chamber lamp to be larger than a resistance in attaching the chamber lamp, said sawtooth shape comes into direct contact with said glass tube of said chamber lamp and said gentle and steep slopes of said sawtoothed shape are horizontal to a vertical axis of said chamber lamp.

Claim 2 (Canceled):

Claim 3 (Previously Presented): The refrigerator according to claim 1, wherein an intermediate portion of the collar portion is provided with an annular protruding portion which is

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closely attached to the outer periphery of the glass tube of the chamber lamp.

Claim 4 (Previously Presented): The refrigerator according to claim 3, wherein a combustible refrigerant is used as a refrigerant.

Claim 5 (Previously Presented): The refrigerator according to claim 4, wherein the chamber lamp is driven by a commercial power supply voltage.

Claim 6 (Previously Presented): The refrigerator according to claim 3, wherein the collar portion is formed of a polyvinyl chloride resin material.

Claim 7 (Currently Amended): A chamber lamp socket comprising comprising:
a collar portion at one end of the chamber lamp socket which is brought into contact with an outer periphery of a glass tube of a chamber lamp to hold the lamp and which is formed of a flexible material,

wherein a sawtoothed shape which comes in direct contact with said glass tube of said chamber lamp is formed on an inner surface of the collar portion, said sawtoothed shape constituted by alternately forming gentle slopes and steep slopes to set a resistance in detaching the chamber lamp to be larger than a resistance in attaching the chamber lamp and said gentle and steep slopes of said sawtoothed shape are horizontal to a vertical axis of said chamber lamp.

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Claim 8 (Canceled):

Claim 9 (Previously Presented): The chamber lamp socket according to claim 7, wherein an intermediate portion of the collar portion is provided with an annular protruding portion to be closely attached to the outer periphery of the glass tube of the chamber lamp.

Claim 10 (Previously Presented): The chamber lamp socket according to claim 9, wherein the collar portion is formed of a polyvinyl chloride resin material.

Claim 11 (Canceled):

Claim 12 (Previously Presented): The chamber lamp socket according to claim 1, wherein the collar portion is formed of a polyvinyl chloride resin material.

Claim 13 (Previously Presented): The chamber lamp socket according to claim 7, wherein the collar portion is formed of a polyvinyl chloride resin material.

Claims 14-16 (Canceled):

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Claim 17 (Previously Presented): The refrigerator according to claim 1, wherein a combustible refrigerant is used as a refrigerant.

Claim 18 (Previously Presented): The refrigerator according to claim 17, wherein the chamber lamp is driven by a commercial power supply voltage.

Claim 19 (Canceled):

Claim 20 (Previously Presented): The refrigerator according to claim 18, wherein the chamber lamp is driven by a commercial power supply voltage.

Claim 21 (Previously Presented): The refrigerator according to claim 1, wherein the chamber lamp is driven by a commercial power supply voltage.

Claim 22 (Canceled):

Claim 23 (Previously Presented): The refrigerator according to claim 3, wherein the chamber lamp is driven by a commercial power supply voltage.

Claims 24-28 (Canceled):